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In re application of:

HIBINO

Application Serial No. 09/444,388

Filing Date: November 22, 1999

Attorney Docket No. 100021-09042

Group Art Unit: 1655

Examiner: J. Souaya

For: PROCESS FOR OBTAINING PLANT DNA FRAGMENTS AND USE THEREOF

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

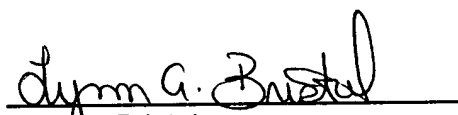
Date: August 13, 2001

Sir:

Applicants petition for an extension of time for one month for response to the outstanding Office Action dated April 11, 2001 from July 11, 2001 to August 11, 2001.

Enclosed is a check in the amount of One Hundred Ten (\$110) dollars to cover the necessary extension fee. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency or credit any overpayment associated with this communication to Deposit Account No. 01-2300.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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